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Membership:

Provide the most recent membership numbers.
Number of Members: 320

List any factors you think may be increasing or decreasing your Section membership.
We have, happily, seen a steady increase in our membership from 213 in 2008 to our current 320, an increase in over 100 in 5 years. We have engaged in some active recruitment, especially of students but because studies of food in all aspects is so popular now, we are an obvious section for those with that interest.

Finances:

Provide the most recent financial balances for Section budgets (and publication sponsored budgets).
Financial Balance: 43,021.93

Publication Sponsored budgets.
Not applicable

List any factors you think are affecting your Section's finances.
Not included in the above figure is a new endowment established in memory of Dr. Thomas Marchione (The Tom Marchione Prize) which had a balance of $18,975 as of November, 2013.

We do not have a publication currently so do not have the expense yet benefit from the broader publishing program. Our steady increase in membership obviously also contributes to our healthy balance.

Sessions:

List the titles of your Section's AAA meeting invited sessions, co-sponsored sessions, and any special events your Section sponsored or in which it participated.

Session Type: Invited Co-Sponsored with BAS
Session: Ethnographic Perspectives on the History of Hunger

Session Type: Invited Co-Sponsored with culture and agriculture
Session: Edible Identities; Exploring Food and Foodways as Cultural Heritage
Session Type: Invited Co-Sponsored with NASA
Session: Eating in the City: Foodways, Publics, and Urban Transformation

Session Type: Volunteered
Session: We had 17 sessions of volunteered papers at this year's meetings.

Session Type: Other
Session: Poster session: Recipe for Success: Providing Supplemental Nutrition Education Services in the Triad Region of North Carolina

Session Type: Special Events
Session: SAFN Business meeting and annual speaker

Awards
List awards presented this year on behalf of your Section.
Award: Thomas Marchione Food-as-a-Human Right Student Award
Date: 11/23/2013
Recipient: Matthew Canfield
Affiliation: New York University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Revaluing Rights: Food Sovereignty and Social Justice in the Age of Global Governance

Award: Christine Wilson Award undergraduate paper
Date: 11/23/2013
Recipient: Susie DiMauro
Affiliation: Washington University
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: ?And Yet We Grew Beautiful Crops? Reconstructing the Agricultural Ecology of Shenandoah National Park Refugees

Award: Christine Wilson Award Graduate paper
Date: 11/23/2013
Recipient: Maggie Dickenson
Affiliation: CUNY Graduate Center
Project/Paper/Accomplishment: Women, welfare reform, and food insecurity in NYC

Meetings
Did your section request a meeting registration waiver or community engagement grant?
No
If granted, who/what was it/they used for?
Incomplete
List spring meeting activities
not applicable

Mentorship:
Mentorship efforts (at or beyond the AAA meetings) to any of the following (e.g., special activities, funding, awards, guidance/advising on professional matters, etc.)
Undergraduate and/or graduate students.
not applicable

Early career scholars.
not applicable

Independent scholars.
Not applicable

Outreach:
Additional outreach efforts (at or beyond the AAA meetings) to other sections, interest groups, and scholarly societies, government agencies, public education/community engagement, and underrepresented minorities.
We regularly receive requests from journalists and researchers through our website. We have specifically set it up to facilitate this kind of communication.

Communications:
Status and use of Section internal communications such as a website, list serve, or newsletter (if applicable): Please list internal communication tools you use and what they are used for.
We do most of our work via email and have a list-serv which is open to SAFN members and anyone else interested in signing up. Our website is open to the public and to members.

Governance:
Changes in bylaws or governance structure.
Not applicable

Initiatives:
What Initiatives does your Section have underway or planned for the coming year: membership, publication annual meeting, mentorship, other?
We have a substantial surplus in our budget and discussed establishing a "quasi-endowment" as permitted under AAA fiscal rules to provide another student prize. We are discussing what the focus should be.

Ask AAA:
Please tell us what your chief concerns and issues are, especially if they are not previously noted.

What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the Section Assembly Executive Committee (SAEC)? Please be specific.
Not applicable

What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the AAA Executive Board? Please be specific.
Not applicable

What issues would you like raised or recommendations would you like to make to the AAA Staff? Please be specific.
Not applicable